

BILLY SUNDAY

Still have bird
shot buried in wrist
by crazy Billy Sunday
during shotgun war
at Concow ...
Billy became a
Chetwood Daredevil.
He couldnt drive
so they put him
inside a box
with dynamite
& blew him up
4, 5 times
a week.

AD REINHARDT

Met a guy
at co-op knew
Ad in grade school
told me little stories
he'd memorized
then said Ad wasnt
much didnt see
much in his
paintings either.

Two by Eight Equals 6Teen, by Phil Weidman. Introduction by the Editor: I don't know Phil

personally, other than he is Phil (a mistake I made only once) rather than Philip(as in

PETER AS LAST MAN

In tub I make
like big Him
head in sky looking
down on flood
after the deluge
& lone survivor
slumped over bellie
island ...
the game is
suck in air
& watch little
him drown.

ABERDEEN PICKUP

3 of them
just kids but
they waved us over
& we loaded them
in hoping they'd
boff only one
did fell in love
with Villaroman's
James Dean eyes.

SPOTS

There're 2 spots
on ceiling
over the bed.
Mystery spots.
Black to gray
nickel size.
My old man
hung on to
a spot over
an emergency bed
once after breathing
too much carbon
monoxide trucking
Alturas to Redding.
Saved his life.

JULY 4th 1956

Heading back to Ft. Lewis
after parade in Bremerton
got shoved in medic jeep
so set up the 30 in back
flipped up canvas rolling
thru Olympia & scattered
traffic with belt
of flamethrowing blanks
just for kicks.

Prince Philip or Phillip). Phil is not one for Philistinism or Philippics or even Philhar-

monics, although he's a philogynist (definitely), a philosopher (of sorts), and possibly

ROYAL ARISTOCRAT

this royal is my brains
i furnish it fingers
it does my thinking
stands in for my voice
dictates these lines
magritte magritte
rene magritte lives
in the body of frank
owen 2326 h st sacramento

WITNESS

2 cowboy hats
Oregon licence plates
shouldnt have passed
busted up carload
of Gridley people
killed themselves ...
one bounced 100 ft
across highway caught
by hog fence now
his insurance man's
hounding me to
favor my story.

SOLDIER PEETZ

Army Lt. Peetz
lost his spleen
in Viet Nam.
Took an automatic
weapon slug
in the bellie.
Doctors had to
cut & restring him.
First time he
farted thanked
god knew he
was all right.

60 SECOND SPOT

Wakes you up to see
a gal you used to
screw in highschool
with 2 half-grown kids
& new set of teeth
backed up against a wall
of canned fruit agreeing
with the man ... yes it
does taste better
is more orange-juicy
than orange juice.

a philologist (native American variety). I like his poems very much. They are real and

constructed with considerable economy and with considerable craftsmanship. Economy and

PALACE REDHEAD

18 & scared
took couple of whiskeys
& promised myself
something special.
There's a room upstairs
where you choose
but she chose me
led me to a bed
took my money got me
to undress & set the clock.
Couldnt unwind &
the alarm beat me
but she switched around
grabbed me whispering
& banged just right
then smiling she got up
shook her bush at me
flung on her robe
& rushed out ...

MEDITATION ROOM

ask information
desk to
unlock.

FURLOUGH

Arrived midmorning Greyhound
fooled around Height's
pool tables til
her noon break
drove to her apt
for quick sandwiches
couldnt wait took
shortcut thru fly
under panty leg
forgot lunch.

THEFT OF RICHARD C'S LAST NAME

Ache is back.
Booze is back.
Try to cancel out
theft of Richard
C's last name
London Bridge is
being sold Bob
Brown died 1959
fucked Lilly but
couldn't come.

craftsmanship make for art when coupled with the ability to communicate (of which Phil is

also full of). This is a fillip on behalf of Phil Weidman's Two by Eight Equals 6Teen.

STRAIGHT MAN

Naturally he tries
to look his best
employs a role
straps on mask
to suit the
situation as
he sees it.

DRAFTEE

They got Harry
24 yr old college
grad never touched
pussy or smelled
it (wasnt sure
he wanted to)
wont talk about
it or war thinks
death's waiting
for him overthere
& he's afraid
to say no
or yes.